

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Courses

Social Work (SOWK)

SOWK 110 Contemporary Social Welfare Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Principles, values and institutions of U.S. social welfare in context of human need within family, groups, and society.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 120 Academic and Career Success Credit: 1 (1-0-0)

Course Description: Skills for general academic success, personal growth, self-management, and knowledge of campus/community resources. Examination of professional opportunities within the field of social work.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Undergraduate social work majors only. This may be offered as a partial semester course. Sections may be offered: Online. Credit not allowed for both SOWK 120 and SOWK 280A1.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 130 Identity, Power, and Social Justice (GT-SS3) Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: Knowledge of historic atrocities and injustices that continue to shape socialization, perpetuating oppression and normalizing power based on identity. Discussion of identity, privilege, oppression, intersectionality, and social location applied to race, class, gender, sexual orientation, ability, and religion. Application of social justice practices to advocate for equity and inclusion of all people.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

Additional Information: 1C, Human Behavior, Culture, or Social Frameworks (GT-SS3).

SOWK 150 Introduction to Social Work Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: Introduction to generalist social work, including the history of social welfare in the U.S. and the knowledge, values, skills, practice settings, and populations served across the profession with special emphasis on vulnerable groups. The broad range of theoretical approaches and intervention strategies required are introduced. Practice roles discussed are advocate, broker, counselor, mediator, researcher, and community change agent.

Prerequisite: (PSY 100, may be taken concurrently) and (SOC 100, may be taken concurrently or SOC 105, may be taken concurrently).

Restriction: Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 300 Translational Social Work Research Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Basic understanding of the research process and research methodologies. Critical approach to using and applying the evidence informed process and translational research for social work professions and policy changes. Emphasis on research procedures to investigate various social problems while centering voices of stakeholders and learning how research can be used to foster social and economic justice.

Prerequisite: SOC 210, may be taken concurrently or STAT 100, may be taken concurrently or STAT 201, may be taken concurrently or STAT 301, may be taken concurrently or STAT 311, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 330 Intersectionality and Identity Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Knowledge and skill in deconstructing one's own identity, privilege and oppression to apply that process of understanding to a client's unique intersecting identities creating culturally sensitive social work practices.

Prerequisite: SOWK 130 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 150 with a minimum grade of C.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sophomore standing. Social Work majors only. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 340 Generalist Practice with Individuals Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Direct practice learning that will center communication, relationship building, and culturally sensitive skills when working with individuals. Knowledge and techniques used in applying the generalist planned change process.

Prerequisite: SOWK 150 with a minimum grade of C, may be taken concurrently.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Sophomore standing. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 341 Generalist Practice with Groups Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Direct practice learning that will center communication, relationship building, and culturally sensitive skills when working with groups. Knowledge and techniques used in applying the generalist planned change process.

Prerequisite: SOWK 150 with a minimum grade of C.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 344 Social Work Practice--Partners and Families Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Social work practices with families and partners using an anti-oppressive lens for engagement, assessment, intervention, evaluation, and termination skills, grounded in theory, developmental and research based models.

Prerequisite: SOWK 130 and SOWK 150.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 352 Indigenous Women, Children, and Tribes Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Also Offered As: ETST 352.

Course Description: Historical and contemporary lives of women, children, and tribal communities.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must not be a: Freshman.

Registration Information: Sophomore standing. Sections may be offered: Online. Credit not allowed for both ETST 352 and SOWK 352.

Term Offered: Fall (even years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 370 Addictions - A Social Work Perspective Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Applying a bio-psychosocial lens to the system of addictions and substance abuse from a social work perspective.

Prerequisite: HDFS 101 or PSY 100.

Registration Information: Sophomore standing. Must register for lecture and recitation. Credit not allowed for SOWK 370 and SOWK 371D.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 371A Fields of Practice: Child Protection Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: The evolution of the child welfare system, including the current models, practices, and skills used to protect children and support families.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Completion of AUCC category 3C required.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 371B Fields of Practice: Juvenile Justice Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: History, approaches, theories, and social work practices in the juvenile justice system with a focus on inequity and social justice.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Completion of AUCC category 3C required.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 371C Fields of Practice: Criminal Justice Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: History, approaches, theories, and social work practices in the adult justice system with a focus on inequity and social justice.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Completion of AUCC category 3C required.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 371E Fields of Practice: Social Gerontology Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: Application of practice processes in the field of gerontology, including the current models, practices, and skills used in the profession.

Prerequisite: HDFS 101 or PSY 100 or SOC 100.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 371G Fields of Practice: Training Canine Animal Assisted Interventions Credits: 3 (2-2-0)

Course Description: Knowledge and practical skills to select and train dogs specifically for animal-assisted interventions. Meets requirements for community volunteering through Human-Animal Bond in Colorado upon further in-person screening.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 384 Supervised College Teaching Credits: Var[1-5] (0-0-0)

Course Description: Assist instructor in teaching selected classes, group training, or discussion group leadership.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: A maximum of 10 combined credits for all 384 and 484 courses are counted towards graduation requirements.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 400 Generalist Practice-Organizations/Communities Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Knowledge and skills to implement the planned changed process with organizations and communities.

Prerequisite: SOWK 340 with a minimum grade of C, may be taken concurrently.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sophomore standing. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 410 Social Welfare--Policy, Issues, and Advocacy Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Policies and issues shaping social welfare, historical development of social welfare policy, analysis of social policy impact, and intervention for policy change.

Prerequisite: (POLS 101 or POLS 103) and (SOWK 400 with a minimum grade of C, may be taken concurrently).

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Sophomore standing. Must register for lecture and recitation. Required field trips. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 425 Prep and Essential Skills for Internship Credit: 1 (0-0-1)

Course Description: Ethical and social work "professional" behavior to prepare students for the internship placement process and the internship experience for entry level social work practice from a generalist perspective.

Prerequisite: SOWK 300 and SOWK 330 and SOWK 341, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Social work majors only. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 450 International Social Welfare and Development Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Also Offered As: IE 450.

Course Description: Framework of social welfare and development in international area; social need with focus on cultures/countries in transition.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Credit not allowed for both SOWK 450 and IE 450.

Term Offered: Fall.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 482A Social Work in Costa Rica Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: International social work practice through exposure to culturally diverse communities in Costa Rica. Examine social problems, social action, and social injustice in the context of global interdependence.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Enrollment in Bachelor of Social Work or Master of Social Work degree program. Completed letter of application.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 482B Study Abroad: Social Work in India Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: International social work practice through exposure to culturally diverse communities in India. Examine social problems, social action, and social injustice in the context of global interdependence.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Open to all majors. Completed letter of application.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 488 Practice-Based Learning Credits: Var[4-9] (0-0-0)

Course Description: Integrate and apply social work competencies (Council on Social Work Education accreditation standards) learned across coursework through direct practice in an agency setting for practice-based learning. Demonstrate competency in social work knowledge, values, skills, and affective and cognitive processes for beginning practitioners.

Prerequisite: SOWK 300 and SOWK 341 and SOWK 330 and SOWK 410 and SOWK 425, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Maximum of 9 credits allowed in course.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.

Special Course Fee: Yes.

SOWK 492A Capstone Seminar: I Engagement and Reflection Credit: 1 (0-0-1)

Course Description: Integrates the knowledge, values, skills, cognitive and affective processes, and behaviors that develop social work competency, utilizing an anti-racist, anti-oppressive lens to promote social work practice that supports social justice and human rights while in internship.

Prerequisite: SOWK 300 and SOWK 330 and SOWK 341 and SOWK 392 and SOWK 410, may be taken concurrently.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman, Sophomore. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Must have concurrent registration in SOWK 488. Junior standing. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 492B Capstone Seminar: II Demonstrating Social Work Practice Skills Credits: 2 (0-0-2)

Course Description: Integrates the knowledge, values, skills, cognitive and affective processes, and behaviors that develop social work competency, utilizing an anti-oppressive, anti-racist lens to promote social work practice that supports social justice and human rights while in internship.

Prerequisite: SOWK 410, may be taken concurrently and SOWK 492A with a minimum grade of C.

Restrictions: Must not be a: Freshman, Sophomore. Must be a: Undergraduate.

Registration Information: Junior standing. Must have concurrent registration in SOWK 488. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 495 Independent Study Credits: Var[1-12] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 496 Group Study Credits: Var[1-12] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 500 Foundations in Social Work Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: Establish a framework for graduate social work study and beginning practice. Explore the history, values, ethics, theory, and practice contexts for social workers. Students evaluate their alignment with the profession, the knowledge base required, theories utilized in practice, and the diverse people, organizations, and communities served by social work.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Admission to the MSW program. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 511 Practice Skills with Individuals and Groups Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Foundational practice knowledge and skills for engagement, assessment, intervention, evaluation, and termination with individuals and groups within a holistic framework.

Prerequisite: SOWK 500, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Graduate standing. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 513 Clinical Assessment Skills Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Social work practice knowledge and skills for assessment of individuals at the behavioral, psychological, biological, and sociological dimensions.

Prerequisite: SOWK 511.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Graduate standing. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 515 Theoretical Foundations for Social Work Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Historical and contemporary theoretical foundations for social work practice. Ecological and systems theories are presented as organizing frameworks and critical thinking is developed as a skill for identifying and challenging assumptions.

Prerequisite: SOWK 500, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Graduate standing. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 516 Assessment in Social Work Credits: 2 (1-0-1)

Course Description: Social work practice knowledge and skills for assessment of individuals at the behavioral, psychological, biological, and sociological dimensions.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Graduate standing. Admission to the MSW Advanced Standing Program. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 520 Social Welfare Policy and Advocacy Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Policies and issues shaping social welfare, historical and current development of social welfare policy, advocacy for social change, and critical analysis of social policy.

Prerequisite: SOWK 530.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Graduate cooperative program.

Registration Information: Admission to the MSW program. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 530 Anti-Oppressive Social Work Practice Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Developing anti-oppressive practice with a focus on multiculturalism and social justice advocacy. Critically evaluate personal traits, attitudes and values regarding diversity and identity formation while exploring theoretical frameworks for understanding oppression. Analyze the relationships among power, privilege and oppression. Acquiring strategies for combating injustice.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Graduate cooperative program.

Registration Information: Admission to MSW program. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 531 Anti-Oppressive Principles and Pedagogy Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Current knowledge and skill-building on anti-oppression, anti-racism, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Graduate standing. Must register for laboratory and recitation. Admission to the MSW Advanced Standing Program.

Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 550 Animal Assisted Therapy and Human-Animal Bond Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: The nature of the human-animal bond and animal-assisted interventions including animal-assisted activities and animal-assisted therapy presented as intervention methods. Includes various theories, protocols, and therapeutic practice methodologies with people across the lifespan.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Term Offered: Fall.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 551 Fundamentals of Mediation Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Knowledge and skills essential to the successful application of mediation for a wide variety of interpersonal conflicts.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Bachelor's degree. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 552 Conflict Management: Health and Elder Care Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Knowledge, values and skills necessary for the practice of conflict resolution in healthcare and eldercare settings.

Prerequisite: SOWK 551.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 553 Multi-Party Conflict Resolution Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Theories, models, and skills required for design and guidance of multi-party conflict resolution in group, community and organizational settings.

Prerequisite: SOWK 551.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 554 Conflict Resolution in the Workplace Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Knowledge, values and skills necessary for the practice of conflict resolution in the workplace.

Prerequisite: SOWK 551.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 556 Divorce and Family Mediation Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Knowledge and skills essential to the practice of family mediation including divorce and child custody.

Prerequisite: SOWK 551.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 557 Human-Animal Interventions--Grief and Loss Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Knowledge, values, and skills to engage, assess, and intervene with animal caregivers and animal care workers for grief and loss of animals and how animals can mitigate grief and loss.

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Online.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 560 Social Work Practice in Schools Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Knowledge and skills essential to the practice of social work in educational settings. Topics include historical, legal, structural, and cultural context of practice in schools, the impact of disability on an individual and a family including special education processes and law, current issues challenging the practitioner in school settings, specific assessment practices covering Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA) and development of Behavior Intervention Plans (BIP).

Prerequisite: None.

Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.

Terms Offered: Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 561 Exceptionalities in Education Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Comprehensive look at the school social worker role in identifying, assessing and intervening with students who have an exceptionality in the educational system in collaboration with other school based professionals. Students will be able to operationalize the different disability categories while assessing social work service provision and advocacy.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 562 Functional Behavior Assessment Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Functional behavioral assessments (FBA) and behavior intervention plans (BIP) within the educational settings are an integral part of the school social worker role. Develop the knowledge and skills essential to identify the necessary components of the FBA/ BIP and implement a three-tiered prevention model of assessment and intervention in alignment with Colorado Department of Education (CDE) standards. Apply best practice techniques and demonstrate vital data collection.

Prerequisite: SOWK 560.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 588 Foundation Practice-Based Learning Credits: Var[1-6] (0-0-0)

Course Description: Integration of accredited Social Work competencies in agency settings for practice-based learning.

Prerequisite: SOWK 500 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 511 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 530 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 513, may be taken concurrently and SOWK 520, may be taken concurrently and SOWK 600 with a minimum grade of C.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Graduate standing. Maximum of 6 credits allowed.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.

Special Course Fee: Yes.

SOWK 590 Workshop Credits: Var[1-6] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 592 Integrative Foundation Field Seminar Credit: 1 (0-0-1)

Course Description: Integration of field placement experiences with foundation year MSW knowledge to enhance skills and shape social work best practices. Each session will focus on integrating students' field placement experiences with knowledge, values, skills, behaviors, and cognitive and affective processes for professional social work practice.

Prerequisite: SOWK 500 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 515 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 588, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate.

Registration Information: Graduate standing. Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 600 Social Work Research Methods Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Prepares social workers to engage in evidence informed practice. Focuses on the ways social workers can engage with research to improve social work practice and policy by being effective consumers of research and critically appraising research study designs, sampling, measures, and ethics.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Admission to the two-year Master of Social Work program. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 601 Methods of Research II Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Course Description: Data analysis, computer processing in social work research, and methods for evaluating one's own practice.

Prerequisite: SOWK 600.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 603A Direct Practice: Assessment and Evaluation Credits: 2 (0-0-2)

Course Description: Selection and application of techniques for monitoring and evaluating interventions with individuals, families, and groups.

Prerequisite: SOWK 601.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must have concurrent registration in SOWK 688.

Term Offered: Fall.

Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 603B Direct Practice: Assessment and Evaluation Credits: 2 (0-0-2)

Course Description: Selection and application of techniques for monitoring and evaluating interventions with individuals, families, and groups.

Prerequisite: SOWK 603A.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must have concurrent registration in SOWK 688.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 604 Applied Social Work Research Credits: 2 (1-0-1)

Course Description: Prepares social workers for research-informed practice and practice-informed research. Focuses on critical evaluation of existing scholarship and its application to policy and practice. Builds skills to consume research effectively and to evaluate research design, sampling, measurement, and ethics.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Admission to the MSW Advanced Standing Program. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 605 Program Evaluation in Social Work Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Comprehensive overview of social work program evaluation. Topics include outcome evaluation, needs assessment, formative and process evaluation, single system designs, and cost analysis.

Prerequisite: SOWK 600 or SOWK 604.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Terms Offered: Fall, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 630 Advanced Generalist Practice with Individuals Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Knowledge, values, and skills to engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate individuals using an advanced generalist practice approach.

Prerequisite: SOWK 513.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must complete SOWK 513 or be admitted to the Advanced Standing MSW program. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 631 Advanced Community Practice Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Preparing students to engage in and lead community practice that improves the well-being of individuals, families and communities; positively impacts the availability and impact of services and service delivery systems; and seeks to achieve social, economic, and environmental justice.

Prerequisite: SOWK 588 and SOWK 592, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must complete SOWK 588 and SOWK 592 or be admitted to the Advanced Standing MSW program. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 633 Mezzo and Macro Social Work II Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Mezzo and macro (community and organization) social work practice models, principles, values, and skills to address human need through collaborative policy development, planning, and advocacy with communities, work groups, and organizations; legislative advocacy skill sets to advance human rights and social, racial, economic, and environmental justice.

Prerequisite: SOWK 520 and SOWK 631.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Graduate cooperative program, Professional.

Registration Information: Must complete SOWK 520 or be admitted to the Advanced Standing MSW program. Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Mixed Face-to-Face.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 634 Advanced Practice with Families and Groups Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Apply engagement, assessment, and intervention skills, theoretical models, and evidence-based practice approaches in work with families and groups.

Prerequisite: SOWK 630.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 660 Nonprofit Program Development Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Application of the tools, knowledge, and understanding of how to provide strength-based nonprofit program development and management.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Fall.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 661 Nonprofit Financial Development Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Application of the tools, knowledge, and understanding of how to provide strength-based nonprofit financial development.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 662 Nonprofit Volunteer Development & Management Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Theoretical framework for understanding volunteerism and practice skills for building and managing an effective volunteer program.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: This is a partial semester course. Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 676 Psychopharmacology and Community Health Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Foundation in psychopharmacology (i.e. prescribed psychotropic drugs) for non-medically trained professionals practicing in behavioral health.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Bachelor's degree. Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Fall.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 677 Trauma-Informed Care Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description: Establishes a foundation for providing trauma mental health services to individuals, families, groups and organizations.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Bachelor's degree. This is a partial semester course. Offered as an online course only.

Term Offered: Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 678 Social Work Skills for Addictions Practice Credits: 3 (2-0-1)

Course Description: Uses a biopsychosocial framework to explore substance use and the social problem of addictions. Introduction to assessment and intervention skills for addiction services within social work practice from micro to macro systems.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Online. Credit not allowed for both SOWK 581A1 and SOWK 678.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 684 Supervised College Teaching Credits: Var[1-5] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Maximum of 10 credits allowed.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 688 Field Placement Credits: Var[1-10] (0-0-0)

Course Description: Integrate and apply advanced generalist professional competencies learned across coursework through direct practice in an agency setting completing 675 hours. Demonstrate competency in professional knowledge, values, skills, and affective and cognitive processes for advanced generalist social work practitioners.

Prerequisite: SOWK 592 and SOWK 500 with a minimum grade of C and SOWK 511 and SOWK 515 and SOWK 520 and SOWK 530 and SOWK 588 with a minimum grade of S.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Admission to the Advanced Standing MSW program or SOWK 500 with a C or better; SOWK 511; SOWK 515; SOWK 520; SOWK 530; SOWK 588 with an S grade; SOWK 592. Maximum of 15 credits allowed in course.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: Yes.

SOWK 695 Independent Study Credits: Var[1-18] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 696 Group Study Credits: Var[1-18] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 698 Advanced Research and Social Work Capstone Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Applied research project designed and implemented in groups to culminate knowledge and skill application. May be conducted with field agency, a community organization, or in alignment with specific School of Social Work faculty research. Groups will evaluate, research, and/or analyze a topic relevant to social work practice at the micro, mezzo, or macro level.

Prerequisite: SOWK 600 with a minimum grade of C.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Sections may be offered: Face-to-Face or Mixed Face-to-Face.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 699 Thesis Credits: Var[1-18] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Term Offered: Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 701 Contemporary Issues in Social Work Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Issues and trends currently impacting social work research, professional education, and practice.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Admission to the School of Social Work PhD Program.

Term Offered: Fall (odd years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 702 Social Welfare Policy Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Social policy analysis and impact on social welfare systems and programs.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Term Offered: Fall (even years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 703 Pedagogical Approaches in Social Work Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Pedagogy and practices for teaching social work curriculum.

Prerequisite: SOWK 701.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Admission to the School of Social Work PhD Program. Must register for lecture and recitation.

Term Offered: Spring (even years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 704 Theory for Applied Social Sciences Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Nature and processes of theory building in social sciences. Issues of epistemology, logic, political and moral philosophy.

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Term Offered: Spring (odd years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 705 Systematic Research for Scientific Inquiry Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Systematic research in areas of interest that summarizes findings from available studies and provides a critique of the current body of evidence in this area.

Prerequisite: SOWK 701.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Admission to the School of Social Work PhD Program. Must register for lecture and recitation.

Term Offered: Spring (odd years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 706 Advanced Research Methods for Social Work Credits: 3 (1-0-2)

Course Description: Qualitative and quantitative social work research methods centered on anti-oppressive and anti-racist frameworks. Topics include ethics and power in research; developing research questions and hypotheses that advance anti-oppressive practice and policy in the field; research designs; sampling and measurement consideration from an anti-oppressive lens; critiquing and evaluating research from an anti-oppressive framework.

Prerequisite: SOWK 701, may be taken concurrently.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation.

Term Offered: Fall (odd years).

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 784 Supervised College Teaching Credits: Var[1-4] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 786 Research Practicum Credits: 3 (0-0-3)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: SOWK 701 and EDRM 700 and EDRM 704.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Traditional.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 792 Seminar Credits: Var[1-4] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: SOWK 701.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 795 Independent Study Credits: Var[1-18] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: Instructor Option.

Special Course Fee: No.

SOWK 799 Dissertation Credits: Var[1-18] (0-0-0)

Course Description:

Prerequisite: None.

Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.

Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.

Special Course Fee: No.